



GP 3634
MCES-0002-US
original copy
of # 23

Title : Motor Operated Fast Food Service Window with Upwardly Focused Proximity Detectors

----- REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT -----

RECEIVED

Inventors : Jason T. Epps, Dan L. Terry and Jackson G. Weaver
Serial No. : 09/004,803 § Examiner : Strimbu, G.
Filed : Jan 9, 1998 § Phone : 703-305-3979
Docket : MCES-0002-US § Art Unit : 3634

OCT 31 2000

TO 3600 MAIL ROOM

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Box Non-Fee Amendment
Washington, D.C. 20231

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 C.F.R. 1.10)

The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box Non-Fee Amendment, Washington, DC 20231, on **October 16, 2000**.

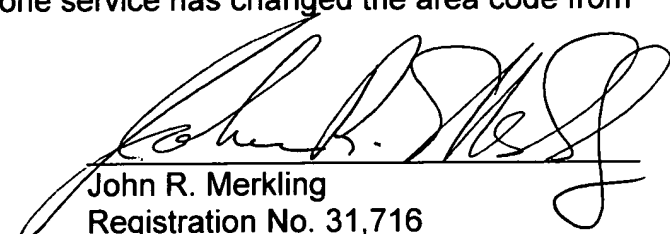

John R. Merkling

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT:

In response to the restriction requirement dated October 10, 2000, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire November 10, 2000, Applicants elected claims 1-5, 7 and 9-16 without traverse. Claim 17 may be cancelled without prejudice to the filing of an appropriate divisional application.

The undersigned attorney regrets that the examiner was unable to reach him by telephone on October 10 and would inform the examiner that the undersigned attorney has added an additional phone line, number 979-388-8443. Although the undersigned attorney still receives telephone and facsimile messages at 265-3318, the telephone service has changed the area code from "409" to -- 979 --.

Date: October 16, 2000


John R. Merkling
Registration No. 31,716
310 South Yaupon
Richwood, TX 77531-2229
Telephone: 979-388-8443
Facsimile: 979-265-3318